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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Campos DATE TYPED 2/26/05 HB \_\_\_\_\_

SHORT TITLE Study Creation of Las Vegas Armory Center SB SJM-6

ANALYST Chabot

### APPROPRIATION

| Appropriation Contained |      | Estimated Additional Impact |        | Recurring or Non-Rec | Fund Affected |
|-------------------------|------|-----------------------------|--------|----------------------|---------------|
| FY05                    | FY06 | FY05                        | FY06   |                      |               |
|                         |      |                             | \$25.0 | Non-recurring        | General Fund  |

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

#### Responses Received From

Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA)  
 Department of Military Affairs (DMA)  
 Veterans' Services Department (VSD)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

Senate Joint Memorial 6 resolves that the Legislature recognizes the efforts of the Las Vegas Veterans Committee to preserve and restore the historic "old armory building" and convert it into the Las Vegas Armory Center to preserve the heritage and military contributions of veterans from New Mexico. The memorial requests the Las Vegas Veterans Committee conduct a study with assistance from the New Mexico Congressional delegation, VSD, an appropriate interim legislative committee and the LFC to determine sources of funding to make the Las Vegas Armory Center a reality. The study is to be completed by October 31, 2005.

#### Significant Issues

VSD has a veterans' service officer currently working within the Las Vegas Armory who counsels veterans on entitlements and other benefits. DMA states the facility could be a center for education, training, housing, medical and social services for the community.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

Costs will be incurred by participating agencies to conduct the study and issue a report to the Legislature.

DCA states the feasibility study may be used to apply for other planning and bricks and mortar funding that could be made available through existing state statutes [Section 18-8-1 NMSA-- Prehistoric and Historic Sites Preservation Act, and Section 18-6A-6 NMSA—Cultural Properties Protection Act].

**TECHNICAL ISSUES**

LFC recommends DCA be added to the list of participants on page 3, line 10.

**POSSIBLE QUESTIONS**

1. How will the Las Vegas Armory Center be used by the community?
2. Does the armory qualify as a national or state historic monument or other similar designation?
3. What efforts to obtain funding have been investigated by the Las Vegas Veterans Committee.

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